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1. In late August CHOU En-lai asked the Soviets in Moscow to place the North Korean Government under the complete control of the Chinese as the price for sacrifices of the Volunteers, and to replace KIM Il-song as chairman of the North Korean Labor Party and commander of the Army with KIM Tu-pong,¹ chairman of the North Korean Supreme People's Council. Stalin is studying CHOU's proposals, but has not replied.
2. MAO Tse-tung told CHOU he must secure Soviet approval of these proposals or politically equivalent advantages. The Chinese believe that unless the Soviets firmly support KIM Il-song, he will be replaced by KIM Tu-pong whether or not there is a virtual cessation of the war. KIM Tu-pong was suggested by CHOU, since he heads the group which shows close friendship with Chinese. After the Chinese entered the war KIM Tu-pong relied heavily on Chinese aid to increase his power among Korean Communists. P'ENG Te-huai promised him privately to do everything possible to help him take KIM Il-song's place.
3. On 25 August KAO Kang, chairman Northeast Government, concluded a secret pact at P'yongyang with PAK Non-yong, foreign minister of the North Korean government, based on Soviet government instructions to CHOU En-lai, as follows:
 - a. The Northeast Government will allow the North Korean Army to use military installations for training and supply in Yenchi, Holung, Hunch'un, Ant'u, and Wangch'ing hsien, along the Eastern Manchurian-Korean border.²
 - b. If all Korea is occupied the North Korean Government is to move into these five hsien to continue the war.
 - c. North Korean refugees are permitted to move gradually into these five hsien.
 - d. Koreans in these five hsien are permitted to form their own autonomous government for the administration of this area in order to increase its

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military value to the North Korean Government, but the area will remain under Chinese territorial jurisdiction. The Korean local autonomous government will be under the organization system of the Chinese Communist Government.

- e. After 1 September regular Chinese troops stationed in these five hsien will evacuate and North Korean Forces will garrison them, but Chinese police and public security forces will remain in these hsien and will be placed under the jurisdiction of the Korean local autonomous government.
- f. All North Korean refugees in Manchuria will be moved into these five hsien, and the Chinese will not open any other areas along the border.

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[REDACTED] Comment. KIM Tu-pong is known as the leader of the Yen-an group and KIM Il-song is the leader of the pro-Soviet group of the North Korean Communists

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[REDACTED] Comment. On 3 September a North Korean minority autonomous district was established with its capital at Yen-pien for five hsien in eastern Kirin, where the Koreans make up 3/4 of the total population, according to a Mukden broadcast of 4 September.

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